



COALITION FOR CONSTRUCTION(CCS) SAFETY MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL MEMBERS

FROM: GARY MARTIN, SAFETY DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: LABOR DAY SAFETY

DATE: AUGUST 26, 2019

Labor Day begins at 6 p.m., Friday, Aug. 30 and ends at 11:59 p.m., Monday, Sept. 2, 2019.

While many are anticipating the final long weekend of summer and looking forward to our planned activities, we often forget why we are celebrating. We are celebrating you, the workforce and the American labor movement that brought better wages, reasonable working hours, and safer working conditions. As of July 2019, there were 132.15 million full-time employees in the United States, according to Statista, a global statistics company.

Unfortunately, the week leading up to and including Labor Day are sometimes interrupted by accidents and injuries. Let's not be interrupted or be one of those statistics. As we execute our planned workdays and our holiday activities, we must practice good safety. Keeping safety in the forefront of our minds will allow us to prevent accidents and injuries, allowing us to enjoy our week and the upcoming three-day weekend!

The following are reminders for working and celebrating our Labor Day holiday week and weekend safely:

- Plan your work.
- Discuss, as a team, high risk activities.
- Stay focused on tasks being performed.
- Wear proper personal protective equipment.
- Communicate changes in plans or activities.
- Inspect tools and equipment.
 - Tag and remove, from service, faulty or damaged tools and equipment.
- Never perform a task, in which, you haven't been trained.
- Stay hydrated.
- Be aware of your surroundings.
- Lift properly.
 - When handling material, ask for help or use a mechanical means of moving heavy material.
- Perform housekeeping duties often.
- Drive safely and wear seatbelts on and off the jobsite.
- Assist one another.

Have a great Labor Day and a well-deserved time off!